

HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON TOURISM, OUTDOOR RECREATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES

521 House Office Building

Tuesday 10:30 A.M.

March 6, 2007

Representative Joel Sheltroun, Chair, called the meeting to order.

Representative Sheltroun requested attendance be called to establish a quorum of the appointed committee members:

Present: Representatives Sheltroun, Ebli, Brown, Hammon, Kathleen Law, Lindberg, Simpson, Casperson, Walker, Stakoe and Horn.

Absent: None.

Representative Lindberg moved to approve the minutes of the **February 27, 2007** meeting.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by **unanimous consent**.

The Chair laid HB 4323 before the committee.

HB 4323	Sheltroun	Natural resources; other; operation of off-road vehicles on road shoulders; allow local jurisdictions to approve and create a fund for enforcement and environmental remediation.
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Representative Sheltroun, sponsor of **HB 4323**, explained his bill to the committee. Questions and discussion followed.

The Following testified in **support of HB 4323**.

Dick Ranney, representing the American Motorcyclist Association (AMA) District 14
Charles Smith, representing the All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) Off-Road Club of Michigan
Lewis Shuler, representing the Cycle Conservation Club (CCC) of Michigan
Brad Comment, representing Michigan Association of Counties
Phil Mayville, representing the Michigan Association of Counties
Richard and Joan Runnels, representing Enchanted Acres Campground
David Toepel, representing the Michigan Motorcycle Dealers Association
Mark Williams, representing the Ogemaw County Road Commission
Van Sheltroun, representing the Ogemaw County Road Commission
Chuck Erickson, representing the Dickinson County Road Commission

Sheriff Doug Baum, representing Montmorency County
Sheriff Howie Hanft, representing Ogemaw County
Robert Hetherington, representing himself
Jim A. Hickey, representing himself
Rob Tomlinson, representing Grayling Visitors Bureau
Dean Smith, representing Grayling Visitors Bureau
David Bertram, representing the Michigan Townships Association
Irene Geiss-Wilson, representing the Grayling Visitors Bureau
Robert Matteson, representing OCRRA, Harts
Richard Stapley, representing Manistee County ATV Association
Jack Crandell, representing himself

The following submitted testimony cards in **support of HB 4323**, but did not wish to speak.

Robert J. Voight, representing the ATV Off-Road Club of Michigan
Sue Thrushman, representing the ATV Off-Road Club of Michigan
Eugene H. Munsell, representing the ATV Off-Road Club of Michigan
David DeLano, representing the Bent Wheels, CCC, District 14, AMA
Tobit K. Poland, representing himself
Patty Ranney, representing the Bent Wheels, CCC, District 14, AMA
Steven P. Johnson Jr., representing himself
Freeman Hopkins, representing the Bent Wheels, CCC, District 14, AMA
Chris Shepard, representing the Bent Wheels, CCC, District 14, AMA
Dave Martin, representing the Bent Wheels, CCC, District 14, AMA
Nancy Gilbert, representing the ATV Off-Road Club of Michigan
James Hunt, representing the Bent Wheels, CCC, District 14, AMA
Virginia Hunt, representing the Bent Wheels, CCC, District 14, AMA
Bill Gilbert, representing the Michigan ATV Safety Association

The following testified in **opposition to HB 4323**.

Ed Noyola, representing the County Road Association of Michigan
Luke Houlton, representing Cheboygan County Road Commission

Brad Williams, representing the Michigan Department of Transportation testified that the department was **neutral on HB 4323** at this time.

The following submitted testimony cards indicating a **neutral position on HB 4323**, but did not wish to speak.

Phil Hoffman, representing the Michigan Sheriff's Association
Murray Poland, representing himself
Zachary Weaver, representing Montmorency County

There being no further business to come before the committee, the **Chair** adjourned the meeting,

the time being **12:10 p.m.**

Representative Joel Sheltrown, Chair

Date Approved and Signed

Dave Mead
Committee Clerk
March 6, 2007
100 minutes